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Applicant(s): Makiko MIYAIRI

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For : ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING A BACK

SHEET THAT INCLUDES A COLORED

AREA AND AT LEAST A PORTION THAT

ALLOWS LIGHT FROM AN OPTICAL SENSOR TO PASS THERETHROUGH

Art Unit : 3761

Examiner : MICHELE M. KIDWELL

AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 19, 2009, the term for response to which expires on September 19, 2009.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 10 and 11 are amended; claims 3, 6, 9 and 12 are canceled; and claims 4 and 5 are maintained.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on <u>September 16,</u> 2009

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not already paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has not been submitted, or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.